



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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April 17, 2016

BEN MOSELY, TREASURER  
USA RICE FEDERATION PAC  
2101 WILSON BLVD, STE 610  
ARLINGTON, VA 22201

**Response Due Date**

**05/23/2016**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00308478

REFERENCE: YEAR-END REPORT (07/01/2015 - 12/31/2015)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 1 item(s):

- Schedule D supporting Line 10 of your report discloses a debt(s) owed by your committee to "USA Rice Federation Corporate Sponsorship" and "USA RICE FEDERATION PAC" with a negative closing balances. You are advised that any debt(s) with a negative closing balance requires further clarification. A negative closing balance suggests that you have either made a mathematical error or overpaid the debt which would result in the vendor incurring a debt owed to your committee and should be reported on Schedule D supporting Line 9 of your report.

Further, a credit from a vendor should be reported as a negative entry in the "amount incurred this period" field of the original debt and not as a separate debt transaction. In addition, credits from vendors require clarifying information to ensure that your committee did not receive a prohibited in-kind contribution per 11 CFR. §100.52 (d)(1). Please amend your report to clarify the nature of this transaction(s).

**Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter.** Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee

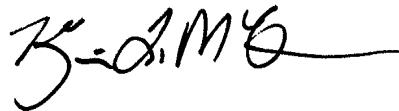
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will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1173.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. McQueen', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kevin McQueen  
Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division